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Halladay will start in MLB all-star game

Cops nab alleged syringe robber

HOTEL Halifax Regional Police say a man armed with a syringe robbed a Super 8 Motel in Dartmouth early yesterday.

Police say they responded to the robbery on King Street at 12:40 a.m. They say a man came into the motel armed with a needle, then threatened the clerk, claiming his needle was contaminated with HIV, and demanded money from the till.

Police also said the man took an undisclosed amount of cash and fled the area on foot.

Police later arrested a 21-year-old Dartmouth man. He was scheduled to appear in Dartmouth provincial court yesterday and is facing charges of robbery, possession of a weapon, breach of recognizance and breach of undertaking.

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Recession Job market hurting students



Veronica Horsman, 21, is among the 14 per cent of post-secondary students aged 20-24 who were unemployed last month, according to a recent Statistics Canada report. The Halifax resident just finished her bachelor of arts degree at the University of King's College and starts a fine arts degree at NSCAD University this September, but she was downtown yesterday with resume in hand, still looking for a summer job to help pay for the pricey degrees. **Story, pg 3**

Hail rains down on parts of province

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WEATHER Holy hail! Marble-sized pieces of ice fell over parts of Nova Scotia yesterday afternoon, resulting from thunderstorms that were making their way across the province in an "organized line," according to a local meteorologist with Environment Canada.

"Currently we have ... thunderstorms, extending from just northeast of East Dalhousie on a direct line through Steviacke," Doug Mercer, with the Atlantic Storm Prediction Centre in Dartmouth, said yesterday.

Environment Canada issued weather watches for Hants, Colchester and Pictou counties, stating on its website that "an unstable air mass over the region could produce severe thunderstorms giving large hail," but Mercer said it didn't look like the system would hit the Halifax Regional Municipality.

"It may get into the northern part of Halifax County — it's right on the edge of it," he said. "It looks like it's going to be drifting off towards the ... northeast, so basically along the spine of the mainland and then curving up."

He said the thunderstorms were expected to settle down by early evening, adding it's not out of the ordinary for some of Nova Scotia to experience summer "thunderstorms that will produce hail with some damaging winds."

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China sees new unrest

FocusOn First Nations

For the next week, Metro Canada will be focusing on First Nation and Aboriginal news, community issues, arts and culture as part of special series leading up to the Assembly of First Nations convention, July 21-23, in Calgary.

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Weapons at hand

Officer testifies Hyde Tasered to prevent reaching confiscated items

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As officers wrestled and Tasered Howard Hyde there was an unlocked shelf of knives and other weapons just feet away in a police booking station, an inquiry into his death heard yesterday.

Halifax Regional Police Const. Jonathan Edwards, who was 21 in November of 2007, when Hyde was Tasered and died 30 hours later, testified he was worried about Hyde getting to the drawer.

The drawer contained various weapons confiscat-

ed from those arrested. The drawer was not locked and the cabinet directly above it was missing, so it was possible to see and reach into the weapons drawer.

Edwards did not know why the drawer was unlocked, but said it had been there since he started 14 months earlier.

Today, weapons are no longer stored in the drawer.

Hyde, who suffered from schizophrenia and was off his medication, struggled with police officers just a few feet away from the drawer. Edwards said it was partly concern about

Hyde getting to a knife that led to his being Tasered.

Hyde family lawyer Kevin MacDonald said there was no indication Hyde even knew about the drawer.

"It's concerning for sure that in the booking area where people are booked, and it's supposed to be secure, that you have this cache of weaponry," MacDonald told reporters outside of court.

Other revelations yesterday from the inquiry into Hyde's death included a booking officer appearing to threaten to Taser Hyde as he began resisting.

Hyde began struggling when officers tried to cut the string from his shorts. Though images were not caught on tape, surveillance audio recorded sound of the scuffle.

Edwards can be heard saying: "Howard, sit down."

Fellow Const. Greg McCormack is then argued to have said: "You're going to be doing the f_ing dance next, Howard," although his voice is muffled.

It was also revealed that over a half an hour of footage of Hyde in a cell waiting to be booked has gone missing.

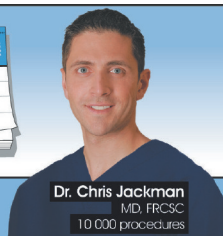
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Local



Country Pride coming to town

Musical legend Charley Pride is performing Thursday at the Halifax Forum at 7:30 p.m. With 36 No. 1 singles to his credit and over 40 years in the industry, Pride is a member of the Country Music Hall of Fame, and is both a Grammy and Country Music Award winner. Tickets for the show are \$59.50 and \$49.50 and are available online at ticketpro.ca. **METRO HALIFAX**

Outbreak numbers continue to rise

Flu Outbreak

FLU The number keeps on rising.

CBC TV reported last night 72 new cases of influenza A (H1N1), also known as swine flu, in the last four days, bringing the total in Nova Scotia to 282 since the first case was confirmed April 26.

On Thursday, the province's chief public health officer Dr. Robert Strang announced to the media 32 new cases in the past week, which put the total then at 210.

At this media conference last week Strang said there has been an increase in the number of new and severe reported cases of the flu in Nova Scotia.

He recommended people bring hand sanitizer to any of the festivals and concerts over the next few weeks, but more importantly said people should stay home for seven days if they feel flu symptoms.

"You may not be that severely ill, but the person that you spread it to beside you can get severely ill and perhaps even die," Strang proclaimed last Thursday.

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WHAT'S ONLINE TODAY

Blogs The It's Called Football show updates TFC's progress on signing Julian De Guzman and speaks to Colin Miller of the Victoria Highlanders on his team's rapid growth.

Your Money Allan Small on how to seize the opportunity from the recent market pullback at metronews.ca/investing



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Halifax is on the map

McCartney concert should bring more top acts to the Common: Promoter

ALY THOMSON
for Metro Halifax

More than 50,000 smiling faces left the Paul McCartney concert no doubt wanting more, a spokesman for Power Promotional Events said yesterday.

"People are going to say, 'This is my chance to see another world-class legendary act,'" Greg Cox said above the bustle of the Halifax Common yesterday, where crew members are already preparing for this Saturday's Kiss show.

Cox said people are more likely to come out to see Kiss now that they have seen how smoothly the McCartney show went.

He said the Common is the perfect platform to stage events of this magnitude —

now and in the future.

"When you can pull together such a perfect venue, it opens the door for any other act in the world."

Halifax Regional Municipality Mayor Peter Kelly was ecstatic about Halifax's international exposure.

"Paul McCartney is certainly an artist that brings a lot of attention wherever he goes," Kelly said.

He added this is not the last world class act Halifax will host. He mentioned there have been several discussions of other acts to play the Common, and if all goes well, next summer will be no exception.

Paul McCartney Live in Halifax is featured on pay-per-view starting Thursday, and might be made into a DVD, which Kelly believes will surely leave "long last-

ing positive vibes from around the world about our city."

Halifax has been building a repertoire of big names since 1984, when Pope John Paul II graced an audience of 80,000 on the Common. In 2006, 50,000 fans put up with pouring rain for the Rolling Stones concert, leaving the Common in shambles. Last summer, Country Rocks brought 30,000 Keith Urban fans to the venue, and the McCartney concert brought in about 50,000 Beatlemaniacs, which does not include the several thousands who filled the surrounding streets and apartment balconies or watched from Citadel Hill.

Cox said the success of this event has indefinitely put Halifax "on the map for world class entertainment."



Sir Paul McCartney performs the Wings hit Jet alongside guitarist Rusty Anderson during his concert Saturday that drew more than 50,000 fans to the Halifax Common.

Halifax becomes rock city

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for Metro Halifax

Sir Paul's dust barely had time to settle before the Halifax Common was being prepped for the city's second big name act in one week — Kiss.

The main stage and some bleachers will remain on the Common, as well as some of the promotional tents, Greg Cox of Power Promotional Events said yesterday.

Sir Paul McCartney's massive screens have been taken to New York, and crew members have already begun customizing the Common for Gene, Paul, Tommy and

Eric.

Cox promises a much louder and more "spectacular" show than this past Saturday's production.

Kiss crews will arrive tomorrow and Thursday to begin the creation of the rock band's demanding pyrotechnics and light show.

It is not yet known when sound check will take place.

Cox also didn't know when the quartet would be arriving, but added, "I'm sure Halifax will be

aware when Gene Simmons is in town."

The Common experienced little damage from the McCartney concert

"I'm sure Halifax will be aware when Gene Simmons is in town."

Greg Cox, Power Promotional Events

off the beer garden to minimize garbage.

"With hundreds of thousands of people passing through the Commons this week, it's truly making the Commons, common," Cox said.

News in brief

MURDER The RCMP launched a murder investigation yesterday after a man's body was found in a lake Sunday night in rural Yarmouth County. RCMP Sgt. Michel Lacroix said at about 7 p.m. Sunday a woman was walking along a bridge on Eel Lake Road, when she spotted the body in the water and phoned police. The body was pulled from the water yesterday morning because it was too dark to do it Sunday night. Lacroix said the case is being treated as a homicide based on evidence gathered when taking the body from the water. An autopsy took place in Halifax yesterday and police were hoping that would lead to the cause of death. Lacroix said the victim is a white male believed to be between the ages of 30 and 40. He said no one

has been reported missing matching the man's description.

ROBBERY The Shoppers Drug Mart on Quinpool Road was robbed late Sunday afternoon. Halifax Regional Police say they responded to a call at 5:40 p.m. in regards to a male between the ages of 20 and 30 walking into the store claiming he was armed with a weapon and demanding cash. The man fled the store with an undisclosed amount of money. Police describe the suspect as about six-foot tall and between 200 and 250 pounds. He also has short dark brown hair and had several days of growth on his face. He was wearing a dark green plaid shirt with the sleeves rolled up and carried a black shoulder bag.

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Officer accused of copying report in Hyde Taser case

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The lawyer representing Howard Hyde's sister accused at least one Halifax Regional Police officer of copying his report of the Taser incident from another officer.

Police reports are sup-

posed to be written from an individual officer's memory.

But yesterday lawyer Kevin MacDonald read several identical passages from two officers' accounts of Hyde being Tasered.

MacDonald said Const. Jonathan Edwards seems to have copied over half

of his report from a fellow officer's version written earlier.

"These are identical words and they're his words. Why you did it I don't know, but they're his words," MacDonald said yesterday during the fatality inquiry into Hyde's death.

Edwards denied copying

his report and said he wrote it from his own memory.

He did admit the two were similar.

"I don't recall doing that, but if I felt a line was appropriate to use I might have incorporated it into (my report)," Edwards testified.

MacDonald said at issue

was the accuracy of the police records.

Edwards also testified yesterday the struggle started when Hyde grabbed at a cutting device while officers tried to snip the string on his shorts.

There was no mention of that in his records at the time.

Dal grad appointed as a Crown attorney

Dalhousie Law School graduate Catherine Gillis has been appointed a Crown attorney in the Antigonish office of the Public Prosecution Service. Gillis is a native of Antigonish and also a graduate from St. Francis Xavier University. She worked with Nova Scotia Legal Aid before taking on this post. **METRO HALIFAX**

Students face tough job front

Unemployment for students 20-24 hits 14 per cent, highest in 12 years

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Veronica Horsman, 21, probably won't be able to pay next month's rent on time.

But the Halifax resident, who is between two university degrees, said yesterday the financial uncertainty is well worth following her dream of becoming a fashion photographer. Of course, securing a summer job would help soften the blow of facing a debt load of \$20,000 and growing.

Horsman, who just grad-

"This is yet another example of how students have been left out of the government stimulus package."

Kaley Kennedy, Canadian Federation of Students

uated from the University of King's College and starts at NSCAD University this September, is one of many students struggling to find employment.

Statistics Canada released a report last Friday showing the unemployment rate for students aged 20 to 24 was at 14 per cent last month, the highest for June in 12 years. The unem-

ployment rate jumped 4.8 percentage points over last year's numbers, which means 43,000 fewer students are holding down jobs.

"I've been eating beans and toast for awhile," Horsman said in downtown Halifax of how she's cutting corners to save cash, while taking a break from handing out her resume.

Mark Coffin, executive director for the Alliance of Nova Scotia Student Associations, said yesterday many students have left Nova Scotia for the summer to try and find work in their home provinces.

He called the stats from the annual Labour Force Survey "alarming for us in Nova Scotia, where students paying the highest tuition (on average) in Canada."

Education Department spokesman Dan Harrison said yesterday the province is doing what it can, including signing a memoran-

dum of understanding with Nova Scotia's universities last year that has frozen tuition through 2010-11 and chops the first 20 per cent off student loans.

Kaley Kennedy, Nova Scotia representative for the Canadian Federation of Students, said yesterday the federal government should be stepping up to the plate, but it didn't increase its Canada Summer Jobs program this year.

"This is yet another example of how students have been left out of the government stimulus package," Kennedy said.

Tall ships set sail for Halifax

LESLEY PIKE
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HARBOR A fleet of tall ships hoisted their sails and set their sights on Halifax Harbour early yesterday morning.

The ships are making their way up the coast from Boston, a 685-kilometre trip that will take about 36 hours to complete.

By Thursday afternoon all of the ships will have arrived in Halifax Harbour; however, the fastest of the fleet will arrive early Wednesday morning.

People eager to see the tall ships can walk down to the waterfront Thursday for some early celebrations.

"We've got a lot of things happening, so it's a great way to come down and see the ships come in,"

Leanne Stratheide, event director of the Tall Ships Nova Scotia Festival 2009, said yesterday. Right now, organizers are busy getting ready for the event and their office is buzzing with excitement, Stratheide said.

She said 1,000 volunteers will help make the festival run smoothly, adding the waterfront is being readied to welcome the ships and their crews.

Halifax is one of many stops for some of the ships that will be in the harbour until July 20. Some have been sailing since April, as a part of the Tall Ships Atlantic Challenge. Those boats started in Vigo, Spain and crossed the Atlantic Ocean to Bermuda. The ships then sailed northward along the eastern coast of North America and are on their way to Halifax.

Date set for trial of X-Men athlete

CRIME Halifax basketball standout Tyler Richards will go to trial early next year on charges of assault causing bodily harm and assault with a weapon.

The provincial court trial will take place Jan. 18 and 19 in Antigonish.

Richards, along with two other members of the St. Francis Xavier X-Men basketball team, were charged following an incident in Antigonish in the early morning hours of Feb. 1 that police say led to a student being assaulted.

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News in brief

COURT MARTIAL The top non-commissioned officer of Canadian troops at Kandahar Airfield in 2007 told a military court yesterday that there were three separate occasions about his soldiers violating firearms policy. Master Warrant Officer Kenneth Miles testified at the court martial of Cpl. Matthew Wilcox that despite a policy of carrying unloaded weapons around the military base, there were some soldiers who disregarded the rules.

CAPE BRETON POST

Gypsophilia glad to be back in Halifax

LESLEY PIKE
for Metro Halifax

JAZZ Jazz lovers can dance the night away tomorrow while listening to energetic gypsy jazz from one of Halifax's most popular dance bands.

Gypsophilia shows have been heralded as one of the best places to get up and groove locally ever since the band began performing five years ago.

They take the stage at The Seahorse at 10:30 p.m. "It's definitely our bread and butter," said Ross Burns, one of Gypsophilia's guitarists. "We love it when people dance so we're definitely happy when we can get people moving."

Gypsophilia is performing as part of the Atlantic Jazz Festival, an event that has special meaning to them, as that's where they got their start.

The band members created an ensemble for a festival show in 2004 and were a big hit.

"We had so much fun and people kept asking us when we were playing next,"



Halifax's Gypsophilia is performing tomorrow night at The Seahorse as part of the Atlantic Jazz Festival, which is continues through Saturday at various venues in Halifax.

Burns recalled.

They tried a couple more shows, which sold out, and have been playing together ever since.

Gypsophilia has been touring the country for their newest album Sa-Ba-Da-Owl!, which was released June 19. The album

Listings

• The Atlantic Jazz Festival will run until this Saturday. For a complete list of performances check out atlanticjazzfestival.ca.

is enjoying a third week on the top of CHARTattack's national jazz and blues chart.

In their Canadian tour they've been making their way across the country hitting jazz festivals in all of the major cities.

They played before thousands of fans in Vancouver, Edmonton, Toronto and Ottawa, and in Montreal, performed on the same stage Stevie Wonder did the night before.

But while this success is all great, they're again looking forward to playing in Halifax and for this festival.

"It's really excellent here ... musicians from away always enjoy coming here and I can see why," Burns said. "When the whole city is absorbed in music and coming out to support all kind of different music, it's really nice."

Route

• After their stop here, the tall ships will continue their journey to their final destination of Belfast, Northern Ireland.

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As the city enters its fourth week without most municipal services, Toronto Mayor David Miller said yesterday he now feels the union is finally taking negotiations "seriously," CBC News Online reports. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Canada



Family remembers missing girl

Instead of celebrating her ninth birthday, Victoria (Tori) Stafford's family will spend a quiet day at home remembering the girl from Woodstock, Ont., who went missing April 8. On May 20, Michael Rafferty, 28, and Terri-Lynne McClintic, 19, were arrested and charged with her abduction and murder. Investigators have yet to find the little girl's body.

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Kenney announces new visa restrictions

IMMIGRATION Canada is taking steps to dam the flood of asylum seekers entering the country from Mexico and the Czech Republic by slapping visa restrictions on visitors, Immigration Minister Jason Kenney has announced.

The move is aimed at what the federal government believes are the thousands of bogus refugee claimants that have attempted to move to Canada from the two countries in the last few years, but was swiftly decried by both nations.

The Mexican Embassy in Ottawa said in a news release it "regrets" the federal government's decision, warning it will monitor implementation of the measure "in the interest of seeing that it be done efficiently and with respect for the rights of Mexicans."

A reimposed visa will affect business between Canada and the Czech Republic "seriously and significantly," said Richard Krpac, consul general of the Czech Republic in Toronto.

The new rules take effect today, although today and tomorrow only, travellers from the two countries will be able to apply for a visa upon entry into Canada.

The bids represent 25 per cent of all the refugee applications that Canada received last year.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Family suspected wife: Friend

Trainer claims ex-champ's brother believed spouse 'set him up'

As news of champion boxer Arturo Gatti's death filtered out Saturday from the Brazilian resort where he had gone to meet his wife in an apparent attempt to reconcile a rocky marriage, his family members were paralyzed with shock, hoping it was a mistake.

But when Amanda Carine Rodrigues, 23, was charged Sunday with murdering her husband by strangling him with her purse strap, there was no surprise, friends of the family say.

Gatti's older brother, Joe, didn't mince words in speaking to boxing trainer Howard Grant on Saturday, before news of the murder charge broke.

"He said, 'I think his wife set him up. The woman was no good,'" Grant said.

Ivano Scarpa, a long-time friend who also spoke to Joe Gatti on Saturday, said both he and Joe Gatti thought it suspicious that the death occurred in Rodrigues's home country of Brazil. Gatti's financial success also gave them pause.

"The fact that they weren't on the best of terms, was it a smart move for him to have tried (to rekindle the relationship) again?" Scarpa said. "It's a tough call, a question we were asking ourselves. We believe he shouldn't have gone down. But when there's love — she's also the mother of his son."

Rodrigues denies being involved in her husband's death.

Gatti, 37, a former junior welterweight champion and one of the sport's most dramatic boxers, was



Brazilian wife of former Canadian world boxing champion Arturo Gatti, Amanda Rodrigues, centre, 23, is escorted by policemen after being arrested in Recife, Brazil on Sunday.

found dead in the holiday flat the couple had rented in the northern Brazilian seaside resort of Porto de Galinhas.

Brazilian police allege Gatti's wife strangled him

as he drunkenly slept. A bloodstained strap was found in the room.

The boxer also had a head injury, a police official said.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Woman awaits print test results

CITIZENSHIP Canadian officials in Kenya are keeping a Toronto woman in suspense over fingerprint results that could confirm her identity.

"When you are waiting for something, it's too much actually," the woman said yesterday from Nairobi, where she has been in limbo for eight weeks — including eight days in jail — after being accused of not looking like her passport photo.

"I can't wait to see my son," she said. "I really miss him bad."

After weeks of pleading, the woman identifying herself as Suaad Hagi Mohamud had her fingerprints taken at the Canadian high commission last Thursday.

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Bids

- In 2008 alone there were 9,400 Mexican asylum bids in Canada, a number that is three times more than in 2005.

Quebec City Don't look down



Tightrope walker Ramon Kelvink Jr. walks on a high wire during the Summer Festival in Quebec City yesterday. The wire was stretched on a distance of 230 metres between the Price building and the Chateau Frontenac.

Toronto shark has own Twitter account

ONLINE Besides a large ego and predatory instincts, Dwayne the Shark has one more thing in common with today's celebrities: a Twitter account.

The 175-pound, eight-foot-long nurse shark has started "tweeting," updating his followers on the social networking platform about a range of topics — from his swimming schedule to his excitement for Hannah Montana teen actor Mitchel Musso's concert at the Toronto Zoo on Sunday.

A live feed of Dwayne's Twitter updates was launched yesterday on the zoo's website, toronto-zoo.com.

"Sharks happen to be

very interesting and very funny ... We have lots of teeth, but we can actually be very personable," Adam Thur, the campaign director who tweets on behalf of Dwayne, said yesterday.

Dwayne arrived at the Toronto Zoo's Stingray Bay in May along with three other nurse sharks and four bamboo sharks from their original home just off the coast of Brazil.

As of yesterday, Dwayne had 43 followers on Twitter. Media theory expert Mark Federman laughed at the idea. "So is there an iSkin (application) for iPhone now? Or iTeeth?" joked the University of Toronto researcher.

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Queen appoints Jean Chrétien to Order of Merit

AWARD He is no Mother Teresa, but Jean Chrétien now has something in common with the late nun of Calcutta.

Queen Elizabeth II appointed the former prime minister of Canada to the Order of Merit yesterday — a rare distinction that has been conferred upon the likes of Florence Nightingale and T.S. Eliot.

In good company

- The order is made up of 24 living Britons, including the Prince of Wales, Margaret Thatcher and Nobel laureate Frederick Sanger. It has also

extended membership to foreigners. They include Dwight D. Eisenhower, Nelson Mandela, Mother Teresa and now Jean Chrétien.

"What can I say?" Chrétien, 75, said yesterday. "I take it as a great compli-

ment and I accept it with some humility. I did my job as best I could and Her

Majesty was gracious enough to recognize that." Liberal Senator Jim Munson said Canadians should be proud of the honour.

"I think it's special for Canada. I think (he was) a prime minister who reflected what a country felt about itself," said Munson, a former Chrétien communications director.

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Earthquakes shake Taiwan, no word of damage

Two earthquakes minutes apart rattled Taiwan yesterday, the Central Weather Bureau said, but there were no immediate reports of casualties or damage. **REUTERS**

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World

Renewed unrest

Chinese police shot dead two people yesterday in renewed unrest in the northwestern region of Xinjiang, state media said, after at least 184 people died in riots last week.

The official Xinhua news agency said the two people killed in the regional capital Urumqi were Uighur. Police were trying to stop them attacking another Uighur when the security forces opened fire, the report said. Another Uighur was injured.

Of the official death toll from the July 5 riots, 137 were Han Chinese, who form the majority of China's 1.3 billion population, and 46 were Uighur, a Muslim people native to Xinjiang and culturally tied to Central Asia and Turkey.

Uighurs attacked Han Chinese in Urumqi that day after police tried to break up a protest against fatal attacks on Uighur workers at a factory in south China. Han Chinese in Urumqi launched revenge attacks later in the week.

State media said earlier in the day that demonstrations against Chinese con-



Police watch an ethnic Uighur woman and her son cross the road near where an incident involving a group of ethnic Uighurs and Chinese soldiers occurred a few hours earlier in Urumqi yesterday.

ulates in Europe and the United States showed that ethnic riots were orchestrated.

Demonstrators threw eggs, Molotov cocktails and

stones at several Chinese embassies and consulates, including in Ankara, Oslo, Munich and the Netherlands, Xinhua news agency said. **REUTERS**

Germany charges accused Nazi death camp guard

WAR CRIMES German prosecutors charged suspected Nazi death camp guard John Demjanjuk yesterday with helping to kill nearly 28,000 Jews in the Second World War, setting the stage for what could be Germany's last big Nazi war crimes trial.

Nazi hunters welcomed the announcement, which follows years of legal arguments over the wartime activities of 89-year-old Demjanjuk, who denies any role in the Holocaust.

Prosecutors said the long-

time Ohio resident, who has been held in a jail in southern Germany since May 12 after he was deported from the United States, would be tried in a Munich court, but did not specify when.

Demjanjuk was stripped of his U.S. citizenship after he was accused in the 1970s of being "Ivan the Terrible," a notoriously sadistic guard at the Treblinka death camp.

He was extradited to Israel in 1986 and sentenced to death in 1988, but Israel's Supreme Court overturned his conviction when new evidence showed another man was probably "Ivan."

The accused regained his citizenship, but the U.S. Justice Department refiled its case against him in 1999, arguing he had worked for the Nazis as a guard at three other death camps.

His citizenship was stripped from him again in 2002. **REUTERS**

News in brief

AFGHANISTAN Vowing to win insurgents over to the political process, Afghan President Hamid Karzai flew to the Taliban heartland of Kandahar yesterday on his first major campaign tour for next month's presidential election. Karzai was whisked under tight security to a government guest house in the southern city, where he survived an assassination attempt by a gunman in 2002.

U.S. Republican lawmakers pressed an attack against U.S. Supreme Court nominee Sonia Sotomayor yesterday, fighting an uphill battle to derail her nomination by President Barack Obama as the first Hispanic justice on the top U.S. court. Sotomayor was widely expected to win confirmation on the ideologically divided nine-member court which rules on key constitutional issues, which could include the death penalty, abortion and gun rights. Republicans have all but conceded they lack the votes to stop the Democratic-run Senate from approving Sotomayor to the lifetime post. **REUTERS**

Most-wanted list

• Retired factory worker Demjanjuk tops the Simon Wiesenthal Center's list of its 10 most-wanted suspected war criminals. It says Demjanjuk pushed men, women and children into gas chambers at the Sobibor death camp in what is today Poland.

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Comment

Order not without merit

Love him or hate him, Jean Chrétien deserves honour

NationalReport

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The online comment boards lit up yesterday with news the Queen was bestowing the highly prestigious Order of Merit on Jean Chrétien.

Many wondered how the monarch could do such a thing? You're getting senile, Queenie, they said. The guy was a political Soprano. Got lucky because he had no opposition.

As someone who has written a couple books on Jean Chrétien, I found it surprising, given his controversy-laden denouement, that such an exalted

honour came. Surprising, but not overly so.

As with so many political careers, you can fashion your rating for Chrétien by selectively choosing either the negative or the positive.

The negative? The sponsorship scandal, Shawinigate, GST flip-flopping, the gun registry fiasco, military helicopters, the APEC controversy, his pedestrian manner, his overcentralizing of power, his being hounded out of office by his own party. Fixate on these, and you've got a loser. Yep, the Queen has gone batty.

The positive? Balancing the terribly red books, leaving the economy in great shape, pushing back separatism with the Clarity Act, telling George W. Bush where to get off on Iraq, defending the ordinary people against corporate inter-

ests, winning three straight majority governments. Fixate on these — and it's a different story.

Chrétien was a narcissistic politician who viewed politics as sport. For him, it wasn't about ideals so much as the ego-gratification of winning. At the same time, he was a leader of conviction with rock-hard Canadian values. He hated ideology because "when you're doctrinaire, you're always looking to justify your doctrine." He never liked the rich because the rich, he said, always wanted more. "It's very dangerous," he said once, "when you find comfort with the big shots."

He was a consolidator, not an innovator, a pragmatist, not an intellectual. He mingled with the elites but down deep was never one of them. He would show up at a golf course on his own,

even as prime minister, and join in with whomever happened to be teeing off — a factory worker, a clerk, a salesman.

He bore grudges. Offend him and he would take you down — the way he did that day when, sporting his dark terminator shades, he dispensed with a protester. But Jean Chrétien loved the country and wasn't dour or mean-spirited. At root he was a bullish champion of salt-of-the-earth Canadian values.

Despite all his shortcomings, this is where his significance lies. Through four decades in the political maelstrom, he stood up for what this country means like few others ever have. For that he is deserving of high honours.

Lawrence Martin is a journalist and author of 10 books who writes about national affairs from Ottawa.

Views

Time to clean the slate on land treaties



Bernd
Christmas

Canada's constitution of 1867 and the 1981 Charter of Rights are old pieces of paper. Old documents that have no meaning in today's age. We should just rid ourselves of these and start over. Besides, they were written by folks who just don't know what is good for us in a modern age.

Prepare the ramparts, it's go time!

Logic would say it doesn't make sense. Our societal and legal foundations come from these writings. The rule of law is etched within every word. No one would question the need for a system that keeps order and ensures that our collective and in-

dividual human rights are upheld.

So why is it a different set of rules when it comes to dealing with the legitimate land claims of our approximately 1.5 million Aboriginal Peoples? People that have been on this land mass for thousands of years. People that have been displaced, and forced onto parcels of land called "reserves."

Starting around the late 1960s, Aboriginal Peoples began to place legitimate land claims before the government of Canada. Those claims now total 1,046, only 272 of which have been settled since 1972. While government position has progressed, for the most part the basic premise is this: Any claim must first be approved by the government before it can proceed.

Does that make sense?

FocusOn FirstNations

Editor's Note: This is the first of a series of columns focusing on First Nations and Aboriginal issues leading up to the Assembly of First Nations convention, July 21-23, in Calgary.

For example, if you want to remove burglars from your house, then you call the cops. Land claim policy is the opposite. In the case of your home, you would first have to ask the burglars if it is OK to call the cops!

The issue is that we all believe our system of law is there to protect us. So we must ensure that all people in this country are protected, including Aboriginal Peoples.

Land claims must move forward in a legitimate

and efficient manner. They cannot be slowed down by governments that are afraid that the use of those old sacred treaties signed by chiefs with European monarchs is a waste of time, too costly, and meaningless. Treaties are the most sacred form of recognition between two parties.

If Canada is a democracy, then elected leaders must once and for all clean the slate with the Aboriginal Peoples of the land.

The government apologized to Aboriginal Peoples who endured the brutality of residential schools. Why can it not apologize and own up to the treaties signed by previous governments?

Bernd Christmas is a Mi'kmaq lawyer practising Aboriginal and corporate law with the Bernd Christmas Law Group in Toronto.



Worth mentioning

Experts unearth history of pandemic flu viruses

Flu viruses that sparked the three worst pandemics in the last century circulated in their near-complete forms for years before the

occurred, researchers in Hong Kong and the United States have found. The H1N1 virus that sparked the Spanish flu of 1918-1919

circulated in swine and humans well before the pandemic started, and it did not come directly from birds as previously thought, they added. Instead, it was probably generated by genetic exchanges between flu viruses from swine and humans.

This contrasts sharply

with previous studies that suggested the H1N1 virus of 1918 was a mutant that jumped direct from birds to human and ended up

as many as 50 million people.

The findings are considered important because of the lack of studies of the virus in animals before the current outbreak of H1N1. Through understanding the natural history of viruses, monitoring of current viruses can be fine-tuned, the team from the University of Hong Kong and St. Jude Children's Hospital in the United States wrote.

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Other viruses

Published in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, the study also involved two other pandemic viruses — the H2N2 responsible for the Asian flu of 1957, and the H3N2, which sparked the Hong Kong flu of 1968.

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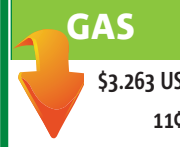
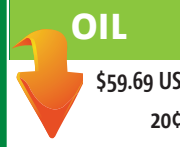
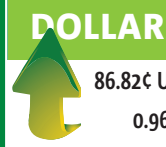
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McGraw-Hill looking to sell BusinessWeek: Source

McGraw-Hill is trying to sell BusinessWeek magazine, a source told Reuters yesterday, at a time when media advertising sales are slumping and would-be buyers for newspapers and magazines are scarce. McGraw hired boutique investment bank Evercore Partners Inc. to manage the sale, said the source. **REUTERS**

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Business



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Man named in \$30-50M Ponzi scheme missing

Scott Hallman, 27, was driving home to Kingston, Ont., on Friday when he heard a report on the radio that a Montreal area financial adviser had gone missing and his firm's assets were frozen.

Hallman thought it might be a mistake. But he knew it was for real when he stepped in his house and his mother asked if he'd heard the news about Earl Jones.

Authorities allege that Jones, through his firm, Earl Jones Consultant & Administration Corp., was operating a multimillion-dollar Ponzi scheme worth between \$30 million and \$50 million. Quebec's stock market regulator froze Jones' bank accounts

Never licensed

- Earl Jones is being described as a charming man who cultivated his client base, many of whom were elderly, for years.
- Investors are now learning that Jones was never licensed to handle money from investors.

last week but little remained.

Authorities still have not been able to locate Jones. His clients are mostly from the Montreal area, but also reside in other parts of Ontario and the U.S.

Montreal police said yesterday they would like to hear from anyone who gave money to Jones.

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New York Start spreadin' the joe



Pedestrians walk past a new Tim Hortons coffee and bake shop in the Midtown Manhattan section of New York City yesterday. Tim Hortons Inc. began serving in 12 locations in New York City for the first time yesterday.

Microsoft moves Office to web

TECHNOLOGY Microsoft Corp. will release three versions of its dominant Office software that users can access over the web, catching up with products that rival Google Inc. launched three years ago.

It is the latest salvo in an intensifying war between Microsoft and Google, which announced plans last week to challenge Windows with a free operating system, called Google Chrome. Microsoft intro-

duced a new search engine, Bing, last month.

Microsoft will offer for free to consumers web-based versions of its Office suite of programs, including a word processor, spreadsheet, presentation software and a note-taking program.

Microsoft will also host one business version of Office at its own data centres, charging companies a yet-to-be-announced fee.

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Business In brief

GROWTH The Canadian economy will begin growing again in the second half, boosted by global stimulus efforts, but the pace will be sluggish, the Conference Board of Canada said

yesterday. The group forecast the country's GDP would fall by 1.9 per cent for the year, a slight revision from the 1.7 per cent decline it forecast in April. It expects the economy to

grow 2.7 per cent next year.

LABOUR Unionized workers at Vale Inco's nickel mine in Sudbury and its nickel refinery in Port Colborne, both in Ontario, went on strike just after mid-

night yesterday, after rejecting the company's contract offer over the weekend. Vale had closed the Sudbury mine until the end of July because of low nickel prices. **REUTERS**



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Atlantic Canada faring well in housing market

FORECAST Canada's resale housing market recovered lost ground in the second quarter and is poised to stabilize for the remainder of 2009, after a very slow start to the year, according to the Royal LePage Market Survey Forecast and House Price Survey released recently.

As the economy begins to stabilize and consumer confidence improves, house prices are expected to appreciate slightly in much of eastern and central Canada. Greater than national average price declines are predicted for the western cities that saw the greatest price inflation earlier in the decade, including Edmonton, Calgary and Vancouver.

In Atlantic Canada, homes continue to appreciate due to strong local economies, which have helped to shelter the region somewhat from the turbulence witnessed in other provinces. As well, the region's generally moderate home prices have helped keep demand strong. Newfoundland, in particular, stands out as a region that continues to

"In Atlantic Canada, homes continue to appreciate due to strong local economies."

Royal LePage release

see significant home price appreciation, as supply cannot keep up with the demand driven by vibrant and growing industries such as those in the oil and gas sector.

"We believe this improvement represents a sustainable change across the country," said Phil Soper, president and chief executive officer, Royal LePage Real Estate Services.

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Investing

Allan Small

Allan Small says now's the time to invest — not to run from the market. Visit metronews.ca/investing

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Note to Wall Street, Bay Street and all the other global avenues of finance — the next time, boys and girls, you feel a question welling up about where you're actually investing this billion or that trillion, make sure it gets answered before you make the buy.

I'm not saying that the last five years of accounting scandals, not to mention the asset-backed commercial paper implosion and the sub-prime mortgage meltdown, wouldn't have happened if a few questions had been asked and answered.

But it is clear that at least some of the mess could have been avoided if a few key people made one simple query. What the heck is this product anyway?

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If you have an RRSP (Registered Retirement Savings Plan), RESP (Registered Education Savings Plan), TFSA (Tax Free Savings Account) or RDSP (Registered Disability Savings Plan), then you are an investor. And it's critical to understand what you're buying for any of these accounts when you make your contributions.

The only way to do that

is to ask questions.

There's no such thing as a stupid one, by the way. Not all salespeople will understand everything they sell but the good ones won't cover it up by offering some version of, "My firm believes it's a good investment," all dressed up with confusing jargon.

One of the best questions to ask is about the potential for loss in worst

Alison's Money Rule:

When it comes to investing your money, there's no such thing as a stupid question.

case situations such as March 2009 or November 2008 when the markets posted record lows.

For example, many bought hedge funds thinking they were essentially virtually risk-free GICs. With a clear picture of the downside I doubt whether the average person would have touched them.

The bottom line is that if you don't thoroughly understand an investment product — walk away. You would be better off parking your money in a safe and sound bond or GIC than risk losing it on something you don't comprehend.

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What's the 'affordability' factor?

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Q My wife and I would like to start a family. However, we are seriously concerned about the cost of housing in Toronto. Our work is in the city, and like the conveniences of dining and entertainment. Housing costs will consume more than 40 per cent of our gross salaries. Is this the norm for many households?

— Trina and Sam

A According to a recent housing report released by RBC Economics, affordability measures have been restored to historical averages.

With declining housing cost in most provinces in

Canada, this has made it easier for many families to get into the homeownership market.

The RBC's Affordability measure for a detached bungalow in our largest cities are as follows: Vancouver 62.6 per cent, Toronto 45.9 per cent, Ottawa 39.1 per cent, Montreal 36.5 per cent and Calgary 35.1 per cent.

What does this mean to you and me? The higher the affordability reading, the more money is needed to service the cost. Vancouver continues to be the most unaffordable, consuming 62.6 per cent of a household's pre-tax income.

Toronto's not far behind, consuming more than 45.9 per cent of your hard earned dollars.

These numbers are only benchmarks and do not necessarily mean a family should or should not enter the housing market because their "affordability factor" is less than or



Lifestyle, debts and the economy also factor into your decision to buy a home.

greater than this measure.

Individuals should look at their own specific financial circumstances and make that judgment based on their situation. Factors such as children, debts, jobs, lifestyle, economy, etc., will also come into play.

A family that uses 70 per cent of pre-tax income to service housing in Toronto would quickly result in crisis mode, not unlike many of ex-homeowners in the United States.

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LPGA shakeup

Sweeping changes were announced by the LPGA Tour yesterday with commissioner Carolyn Bivens resigning from her post and being replaced on a temporary basis by Marsha J. Evans, a member of the LPGA's board of directors. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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Sports

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Lemaire deals with Devils

Jacques Lemaire, left, is returning for a second stint as coach of the New Jersey Devils. Lemaire led the Devils to the Stanley Cup in 1995. He was hired yesterday to replace Brent Sutter, who resigned after two seasons with New Jersey. The 63-year-old Lemaire coached the Devils from 1993 to 1998 before coaching the Minnesota Wild from 2000 through the end of this past season, when he resigned. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Jays ace gets the nod

Halladay to start for American League in all-star game

Toronto Blue Jays ace Roy Halladay and San Francisco Giants righty Tim Lincecum have been selected as the starting pitchers for the 2009 all-star game at Busch Stadium.

American League manager Joe Maddon of the Tampa Bay Rays and National League skipper Charlie Manuel of the World Series champion Philadelphia Phillies made the announcements at a Monday news conference, also laying out the starting lineups for their respective teams.

"It's very difficult to pick that one guy," Maddon said about choosing the starting pitcher, adding Kansas City's Zack Greinke was also part of the mix. "It's not an easy decision to make. Based on this season and the body of work, I thought he deserved the nod."

Halladay has been rumored to be on his way out of Toronto, as Blue Jays general manager J.P. Ricciardi recently indicated that he would be willing to deal his top pitcher for the right

package. "It's tough," Halladay said about the subject of trade rumours. "It's somewhere I enjoy being, but it's what's going to be best for the organization. It has been tough because I enjoy Toronto so much."

The 2003 AL Cy Young winner, Halla-

"When you do get a chance to be that first one out, it's special."

Roy Halladay

day owns a record of 10-3 with a 2.85 earned run average in 17 starts this season. He spent some time in June on the 15-day disabled list with a strained groin and is 0-2 in three starts since returning from the injury.

Halladay becomes the third different Blue Jay to start an all-star game, joining David Wells in 2000 and Dave Stieb in 1983 and '84.

"When you do get a chance to be that first one out, it's special," Halladay said. "It doesn't happen very often. It's a special feeling."

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Roy Halladay

Sports in brief

GOLF Sam Holland keeps rolling along. Fresh off winning the Nova Scotia Golf Association men's amateur championship Saturday, the 18-year-old Ken-Wo member kept things going in the first round of junior provincials, firing a four-under par 67 at the Seaview Golf and Country Club yesterday in North Sydney.

Holland is one stroke ahead of defending junior champion Eric Locke of Digby Pines. On the girls side, Bedford's Irene Jung of the Links of Penn Hills is the leader after firing a four-over par 75. Jung, a 15-year-old from Bedford, is the reigning junior champion, and enjoys a four-stroke lead over Brynn Tomie from the Northumberland Links.

BASKETBALL The Halifax Rainmen announced yesterday they will be hosting the street basketball team 94INC at the Halifax Metro Centre on August 9. The group 94INC is made up of players from across the United States, including those sporting experience with the Harlem Globetrotters and in the American Basketball Association. The American team has also signed a deal with MTV to film the television show Crash The Court. A film crew for the show will be in Halifax to see them in action. **METRO HALIFAX**

Home run derby Fielder crowned champ



National League All-Star Prince Fielder of the Milwaukee Brewers competes in the Home Run Derby at Busch Stadium in St. Louis last night. Fielder outlasted Nelson Cruz of the Texas Rangers to win the derby, hitting six home runs in the final round.

Contador downplays Armstrong's talk of tensions

TOUR DE FRANCE Alberto Contador shrugged off Lance Armstrong's talk of tensions within the Astana team, saying yesterday he would let nothing distract him on his quest for a second Tour de France victory.

Seven-times champion Armstrong recognized on

Sunday that having two such strong co-leaders in the Kazakh-funded team was not without its problems, saying: "There have been some tensions within the team."

Contador, the 2007 champion, is in second place, six seconds adrift of

Rinaldo Nocentini and two seconds ahead of Armstrong.

"It does not trouble me at all," the 26-year-old Contador said at a news conference yesterday, as riders enjoyed a rest day. "It does not affect me. The situation is normal."

REUTERS



Ryo Ishikawa tees off during a practice round yesterday ahead of the British Open Championship in Scotland.

'Bashful prince' set to take on golf's king

BRITISH OPEN Let the comparisons begin.

Japanese teen sensation Ryo Ishikawa, whose nickname translates to the "bashful prince," is to play alongside golf's reigning king, Tiger Woods, as the British Open Championship begins Thursday at Turnberry, Scotland.

Ishikawa, who in 2007 became the youngest winner on a sanctioned circuit when he captured a Japan Golf Tour event at age 15, has called Woods his idol. The pair met briefly earlier this year at the Accenture Match Play Championship in Arizona but this will be the first time they play together.

It's the fulfillment of the first of two golfing goals Ishikawa publicly set for himself when he turned pro in January 2008.

"I want to play with Tiger Woods in the future and win the Masters," he told a Tokyo new conference.

Ishikawa, now 17, failed to make the cut in his first attempt at Augusta this year. But he still has three more chances to become the youngest winner of a green jacket, eclipsing Woods, who was 21 years and three months old when he first won at Augusta National in 1997.

And, it's clear the Tokyo high schooler, who lists shopping and listening to music among his favourite

Big hitter

• At five-foot-eight and 150 pounds, Ryo Ishikawa is smaller than Canadian PGA Tour veteran Mike Weir. However, the teenager is still known as a big hitter, ranking seventh in Japan last year at 290 yards off the tee.

leisure activities, is serious about achieving that goal soon, too.

Earlier this year, Ishikawa opened his own private practice range in the Tokyo suburb of Saitama, a short distance from his home. It will eventually have four greens seeded with the same strain of bentgrass at Augusta and sand in the bunkers matching the course.

While Ishikawa has become a media darling in Japan, he remains relatively unknown in North America. He was given exemptions to four events on the PGA Tour earlier this year, including the Masters, but missed the cut in all except the Transitions Championship where he finished 71st.

Ishikawa said in preparation for the Open he's been working with Jumbo Ozaki, who had him hit "600 bunker shots." The youngster said Japan's former No. 1 "thinks Turnberry fits my game so I'm confident about my chances." **REUTERS**

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Learning Curve

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Demand high for trades

JON TATTRIE
for Metro Halifax

Trade schools offer a direct learning experience that can be applied to existing industry job vacancies, says Department of Education spokesman Dan Harrison.

His department is piloting a program that brings skilled trades into high school, giving students a hands-on chance to explore such careers. In HRM, it's available at Sackville High School and J.L. Ilsley.

"It's a course you can take so students can get a taste of what the skilled trades are and what it would be like to have a career in the skilled trades," explains Harrison. "Some of that course work can carry over to other areas and may be accepted for credit at NSCC (Nova Scotia Community College) and those sort of areas. There's great demand for the construction trades right now, and there's a demand for a lot of the other trades — there's usually quite a demand in aerospace."

The program offers training in booming trade areas like construction trades (carpentry and building) and it's looking to expand into the culinary arts. In general, industry demand is high for workers trained in health care, electrical construction, carpentry



The construction trades — carpentry and building — are booming.

and IT. Welding, metal fabricating and plating and instrumentation programs are also hot. Some of the newly trained workers are seeking employment in Nova Scotia, while others are upgrading their skills before returning to Alberta's energy sector.

Trade schools like NSCC work closely with the department of labour and workforce development and the industry.

"They tailor their seat availability according to what is needed out there," Harrison says. Courses tend to last one or two years and are cheaper than university. The rates of students finding work in their chosen field is also higher, with some claiming a success rate above 90 per cent. There is a huge variety of

trade schools in HRM. NSCC offers courses ranging from air craft maintenance engineer, bricklaying masonry and carpentry to occupational health and safety, plumbing and welding. CompuCollege has a diverse portfolio including accounting, business, veterinary assistant, child care, public relations and IT.

Beyond that there are more specific schools, such as the Atlantic Flight Attendant Academy, the Atlantic Media Institute, the Centre for Arts and Technology, the Counsellor Training Institute and the Maritime Business College.

Red Arrow Digital College prepares students for a career in IT and the Nova Scotia College of Early Childhood Education opens the door for work in child care.

Medical Office Administration: a rewarding career with a difference

The Medical Office Administration program at the Maritime School of Paramedicine (MSOP) opens career doors for people who are compassionate, organized and hard-working. The program attracts students who have a pleasant personality, a genuine interest in people and a respect for the privacy of others.

"We study medical terminology, medical transcription, the Microsoft Office suite of products, including Outlook, Word, Access, Excel and Power Point. We have courses for public speaking, job searching and portfolio development," says MSOP's Heather Deveaux. "Something that's unique to our course is our first-aid instructor program."

Administrators finding work in hospitals or medical offices will be tasked with reception of patients, booking appointments, collecting information, data entry, arranging for professional referrals, maintaining charts and patient records, billing, ordering and maintaining supplies, acting as a liaison for pharmacies and pharmaceutical reps, preparing reports and documents, assisting the physician when required and medical transcription.

Medical Office Assistants are a sought after commodity and companies are reporting low turn over rates, indicating Medical Office Assistants are satisfied in their work and their career direction.

"What drew me to MSOP was that they offered many different courses that other schools didn't, such as my first-aid instructors course, respect in the organization and non-violent crises intervention," says student Wanda Collins. "When I started the course, I could see that the instructors were very well educated in their field. They gave me confidence in my abilities to do anything I set out to do. It is a

great atmosphere to learn in."

MSOP, which is registered with the Private Career Colleges Association of Nova Scotia, condenses the two-year program into 10 months with lots of one-on-one time. Tuition includes a laptop, which students get to keep.

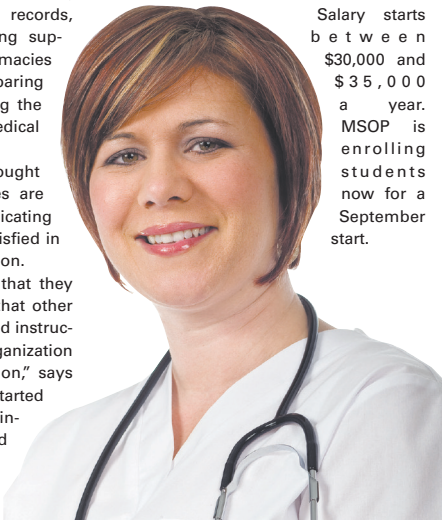
Workshops in clinical skills teach students how to take blood pressure, heart-rate and pulse. The strong emphasis on office procedures, communication, and

computer skills produces highly skilled graduates ready to work.

"The job market is strong and growing," says Deveaux. "With such a large hospital presence in the city and surrounding areas, it is easy to see the potential for employment as a Medical Office Administrator. "With the intense level of transferable skills students obtain, graduates will be able to find work in a variety of settings, not just medical clinics."

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'I was born a butler,' grad says

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Brian Betsworth once made his living as an audio-visual technician, setting up special event equipment at some of the city's most well-appointed residences.

Today, Betsworth is instead learning how to run those homes as a student at the Charles MacPherson Academy for Butlers and Household Managers.

Betsworth and a handful of other classmates are spending eight intensive weeks at the academy under the tutelage of world-renowned butler Charles MacPherson, former butler to the George Eaton Family, and other experienced instructors.

In the classroom, students practise everything from setting the perfect table with Limoges dinnerware, to private aircraft management, to cleaning luxury surfaces with natural products.

"Every day there is something really new and fascinating," says Betsworth, who is in his sixth week of the course. "But the great thing that we learn from day 1 is that there are three things a butler needs to do: Make the bed, clean the toilet, and serve meals. That for me really says it all. I would love to be that person."

Betsworth couldn't be happier with his career transition. He even insists being a butler isn't that different from his old audio-visual job.

"A lot of what we do is very precision-exacting work, tailored to the client's needs with confidentiality, discernment and a truly service-oriented approach," he said. "To me, household management is directly linked with that."

Paul Bocchini, a graduate of the academy's inaugural class of 2008, is now working as a butler/house manager. Bocchini was established in his career — as a webmaster for the Canadian Medical Association — before enrolling at the academy. After watching a TV documentary on the Queen, he discovered that being a butler was his dream job.

"I realized I was born a butler," said Bocchini. "I just didn't know it."

SPECIAL FOCUS ON:
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Health & Beauty

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Lovely hair, naturally

Haircare that's easy on the locks and the planet

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You want the best for your hair, but you also want to be kinder and gentler to the environment.

Good news! There's a new generation of natural hair care products that will help you feel good about the environment without sacrificing the look of your locks.

While certainly not as natural as brushing organic patchouli oil through your tresses and calling it a day, these products are more ecologically sound than most shampoos and conditioners on the market and will leave your hair silky, shiny and free from the dreaded residue often associated with natural hair care products.

Schwarzkopf Professional
Schwarzkopf Professional's Essensity line features shampoos, conditioners, styling products and gorgeous ammonia-free hair colour that is 90 per cent natural — so why not go all the way?

"In order to not compromise performance of product, at this point you still have to have some synthetic ingredients," explains Kelly Cook, technical adviser for Schwarzkopf. Their amazing Clarifying Shampoo contains organic Eucalyptus essences and is 100 per cent free from artificial colour, artificial fra-



Schwarzkopf Professional's Essensity line and Simply Organic's Everyday Hair are among the many products available that will not just breathe new life into your hair but protect the planet as well.

grances, silicones, PEG's and parabens. Schwarzkopf also have an impressive tropical reforestation initiative in place. (\$15.75 at s c h w a r z k o p f -professional.com).

Simply Organic

If you're looking to add lustrous shine to your hair naturally, then Simply Organic's Everyday Hair and Scalp Wash and Rinse is a one-two punch. Made with olive leaf extracts and free from parabens, you'll definitely feel good about using it.

Unexpected bonus No. 1: It totally smells like root beer. Unexpected bonus No. 2: In a pinch, the Everyday Hair and Scalp Rinse does brilliant double duty as a shaving cream. (\$26 at

simplyorganicbeauty.com).

Nature Clean

For those with allergies and sensitivities to fragranced personal care products, Nature Clean is a veritable dream come true. The Canadian owned-and-operated company's Herbal Shampoo and Conditioner is 99.9 per cent natural, hypoallergenic and unscented. Best of all, your hair has never looked or felt better. (\$8.99 at naturecleanliving.com).

Dr. Hauschka

Containing macadamia nut oil and orange oil as well as extracts of Fenu-greek and Rosemary Leaf, Dr. Hauschka's Macadamia and Orange Shampoo for normal hair leaves you smelling like a spice rack

and rinses squeaky clean.

Instead of using much-maligned ingredients like sodium lauryl sulfate, a sugar-based surfactant is used to create a sexy lather. (\$19.95 at drhauschka.ca).

Aveda

Aveda have launched their Sun Care line, featuring a Hair and Body Cleanser that removes chlorine and salt build-up and contains natural ingredients such as Tamanu oil, certified organic coconut oil and green tea extract.

It's packaged in 80 per cent post-consumer recycled high-density polyethylene and is scented with Aveda's 100 per cent certified organic signature Pure-Fume blend. (\$24.50 at aveda.com).

What's weighing down the marriage?

The J Spot



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plying that you can't love yourself if you're heavy or that you can't love and accept someone else who's heavy, I'm speaking more specifically about people who don't start marriage that way.

According to this study, controlling your weight in a relationship can be tough and even cause strain in the relationship.

For example, if your partner is constantly bringing home junk food when he or she knows you're struggling with your weight it can make you feel resentful and unsupported. Or, in some cases, if one partner manages to lose weight and get in shape, the heavier partner can sometimes feel threatened and insecure. Asking a partner to lose weight will only make them feel defensive and ultimately less motivated anyway.

So what do you do? Simply accept it as part of married life? Obviously, we fall in love with a person, not their size but to deny that part of what drew you to your partner was their physical appearance is naïve.

What do you think? How would you feel if your partner gained a lot of weight? If you and your partner have both gained weight, has it affected your relationship?

Go to Josey's Sexcetera blog at metronews.ca/blogs and let us know how you feel.

Josey Vogels is a sex and relationship columnist and author of five books on the subjects. For more info, visit joseyvogels.com.

Seems that old adage about people "letting themselves go" after marriage is true.

Research out of the University of North Carolina recently published in the journal Obesity followed 6,949 U.S. adolescents into young adulthood and found that those who married were more than twice as likely to become obese than those who just kept dating.

It isn't surprising that people put on weight once married. Instead of scarfing down a frozen Lean Cuisine before rushing out to meet your Monday night Singles' Rock Climbing club, once married, you're more likely to sit down to a full meal together followed by a night in front of the TV, scarfing down a bag of potato chips while the svelte couple in your wedding portrait mocks you from the mantle piece.

Obviously this isn't an issue for many couples — just more to love, right? — but, as wonderful as it is to love and accept each other no matter what, it seems to me many people use this as an excuse to stop loving themselves.

And before you get on my case and think I'm im-



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Red hair tips

Choosing the right red colour can make a real difference in tone, clarity and radiance of skin tone. Here are some tips from Clairol consulting colourist Christopher Martin:

- Cooler tones are best suited to fair skin. Try a medium reddish blond.
- Medium skin tones should stick to medium red shades. Try a medium auburn.

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Think inside hair-colour box

You just can't beat the convenience and budget advantages of home hair colouring — unless you somehow give yourself green or orange hair and have to run screeching to a salon for a rescue-9-1-1.

Happily, that's unlikely to happen. Home-colour formulas have improved and the companies who make them have expert on-line step-by-step and video tips as well as toll-free help lines in place for consumers. To get you started on the road to perfect home hair colour, here's our list of top tips.

Think quality and quantity

If you have super-thick or super-long hair, pick up two boxes of hair colour so you have the extra on hand in case you discover halfway through that you don't have enough.

Take precautions if you're expecting

"Despite the cautioning, there are expectant mothers out there who just don't want to give up their hair colour," says Christopher Martin, colourist and co-owner at Shagg Salon in Toronto and consultant for Clairol Canada. He advises using an ammonia-free formula, or going with highlights, because highlighting colour doesn't touch the scalp.

Know your limits

Want to make a big change? Note that you can't go from brunette to blonde in one step. "A box colour won't significantly lighten previously dyed hair," says Nicole Dupuis, technical manager for L'Oréal Canada. If you do want to make such a change, she adds, "you need a specific lightening kit designed to

bleach colour out."

Assemble your backup team

If you're uncertain how to proceed, you're starting with very dry or damaged hair, or you're trying something new, call your chosen brand's toll-free help line or hit the related website for tips before you begin. They can help with a myriad of issues, from choosing a hair colour formula to counteracting brassy blond tones.

Do your homework

"Read the instructions very carefully," insists Eric Del Monaco, official hair artist and colourist for L'Oréal Paris Canada and stylist at O Sole Salon & Spa in Toronto. Hey, read them twice (they're important!), and follow them faithfully. The package insert will tell you everything you need to know, such as how to do a proper strand test (using the hair at the nape of your neck, Del Monaco emphasizes) — and why you shouldn't skip it!

Wash your hair a day or two before

"You need the natural oils on your scalp to protect it," says Dupuis — so let your hair get a little dirty before you dye. "Don't comb or brush vigorously before colouring either," she adds. "You don't want to start with an irritated scalp." If you're a swimmer, use a lot of styling products in your hair or have been colouring for a long time and if your hair lacks shine, consider using a clarifying



If you stick to the instructions and few simple rules, home hair-colouring is the way to go.

shampoo a couple of times leading up to the week you want to colour.

Hydrate extra-dry hair

Dry, brittle hair is more porous than healthy hair and absorbs colour more readily. A strand test is a big must so you know how long it'll take to develop the shade you want, but also consider deep-conditioning hair beforehand.

Let your inner neat-freak take control

"Be as tidy as possible,"

says Del Monaco. He also suggests being methodical about the process. For example, make a sketch on paper of the pattern you want for highlights before getting started.

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Entertainment

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Ryan's big raise

According to the Hollywood Reporter, Ryan Seacrest has signed a deal worth \$45 million US to continue hosting American Idol for the next three years, more than tripling his old salary. POPEATER.COM



Dead Weather goes with the music

BRYAN BORZYKOWSKI
for Metro Canada

If anyone deserves the title "busiest musician in show-biz" it's Jack White. Besides fronting The White Stripes, the prolific artist is a producer, a record store owner and the guitarist and singer in the Raconteurs. So when White started yet another project, even he was surprised.

"I wasn't expecting to be in a new band on another tour," says White before a gig in Toronto. "Last fall I had an empty calendar. I can't believe what has happened in the last six months."

What's happened is The Dead Weather, a sludgy garage blues rock band that features The Kills' Alison



The Dead Weather is equal parts The White Stripes, Queens of the Stone Age, The Kills and The Raconteurs but their sound is unique, says drummer Jack White.

Mossheart on vocals, Queens of the Stone Age's Dean Fertita on guitar, Raconteurs' Jack Lawrence on bass and White on the skins.

It's a supergroup to be sure, but unlike, say, Velvet Revolver, the foursome isn't doing this to make a quick buck. The reason they formed the band, says

White, is because the music told them to.

"I do believe the music tells you what to do," he explains. "If the songs didn't emerge they wouldn't have told us to form a band. We're busy. We're not looking for something fun to do. There was a direct need to create these songs."

You can't just chalk this band formation up to some musical spirit having its way with the group — it helped that White became friends with Mossheart after the Kills opened for the Raconteurs.

Soon enough the friendship blossomed into a musical partnership when, on

one alcohol-fuelled night, the two songwriters, along with Fertita and Lawrence, recorded Gary Numan's Are Friends Electric. About 12 hours later they had written four other songs.

"We just kept writing," says Mossheart. "It was really a massive accident. We had so many songs that we really loved and we were having such a good time."

There's no question that these swampy goth-rock songs are fun, but they're no White Stripes or Kills. White admits that it might be difficult for people to get that this new band is different.

"If you put musicians in bands together people think the new group should therefore be better than the best Queens, Stripes and Kills songs put together," says White. "It's

impossible for fans not to have these preconceptions. I imagine it will take a couple listens to clear their head."

White also points out that just because this group doesn't sound quite like their other acts, doesn't mean The Dead Weather went into the studio consciously trying to create a new sound.

"It's very hard for people not to think it's pre-mediated and talked about," he says. "But, if we sat down and said who should be in this band, it would have been something else. If you go into it thinking I like this one Missing Persons album or I like this Frank Zappa record then maybe you'll get something, but it won't make sense. If it doesn't come naturally than it's not worth doing."

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Being Erica

All it takes is one intimidating person to make someone leery of standing up for herself. In this episode, Erica (Erin Karpluk) has a new boss who's a real bully. To help her gain the confidence to confront him, Dr. Tom (Michael Riley) sends her back to university for a do-over with a fearsome professor.

9 PM on CBC



MLB Baseball

Out with the old, in with the new. After last year's Midsummer Classic at the old Yankee Stadium, baseball brings the 80th All-Star Game to one of the newer venues, Busch Stadium in St. Louis. Hometown hero Albert Pujols will be among the stars taking the field in the annual contest pitting the top players (as determined by a fan vote) in the National League against those from the American League.

9 PM on FOX, RSE

Mad, Bad & Ugly Drivers

Anyone who's driven a motor vehicle has seen them — perhaps even been them. This new documentary spotlights three kinds of dangerous drivers — the overly aggressive, the overtired and the distracted. The crash footage will have you rethinking your less-than-perfect driving habits. The film also offers a peek at technological innovations that may help — although there's no substitute for calming down, staying awake and paying attention. 11 PM on NW



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Celebrity Buzz

Posh is gunning for Sex and the City sequel role

JUST WANTS TO ACT Victoria Beckham is busy brushing up her acting skills in the hopes of landing a part in the next *Sex and the City* movie, according to the Daily Mail. Beckham wanted to take part in the first film, but the Spice Girls reunion tour schedule made it impossible. "She really wanted

to be in the last movie but wasn't able to," a source tells the Daily Mail. "This time she's keen to take part." Beckham had a cameo on *Ugly Betty* in 2007. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**



Angelina and Brad are in the market for a NYC pied-à-terre

OVER-HOUSED Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie are reportedly ready to add another home to their portfolio of properties, looking to scoop up a spot in the Apathorp, a 1908 luxury building on New York City's Upper

West Side, according to Gatecrasher. "The gated courtyard means they can get in and out of their car without being hassled by paparazzi. The building also has several other exits," a source says. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**



Gaga bids goodbye to fling

DISPOSABLE RELATIONSHIP Lady Gaga has hinted her relationship with her entrepreneur boyfriend is over — a month after the pair went on a beach holiday, femalefirst.co.uk reports. The pop singer was linked to a mystery man — who was known only as Speedy — after they were pho-

tographed kissing passionately in Hawaii in June. But the singer is now enjoying being on her own.

She tells Britain's *The Sun* newspaper, "I'm a single girl. I like to have a good time. I just sleep with the guys in the band all the time because it's easier." **METRO NEWS SERVICES**



Longoria likes it when Tony ties her up

LEISURE PURSUITS Eva Longoria Parker likes being tied up during sex, femalefirst.co.uk reports. The *Desperate Housewives* actress — who is married to basketball star Tony Parker — has revealed her most satisfying lovemaking sessions involve her being restrained in the bedroom.

She revealed: "I'm not averse to being tied up with silk scarves. I like a man to take charge. There's something very sexy about being submissive."

Speaking as part of *Cosmopolitan* magazine's Best Ever Sex survey, Spider-Man star Kirsten Dunst also revealed her favourite en-

counter, admitting she once had sex in a store changing room with actor Jake Gyllenhaal.

Former Spice Girl Mel B revealed her husband, film producer Stephen Belafonte, is the only person she has ever been in a relationship with who could match her sex drive.

She said: "I know I'll always be faithful to Stephen because I've never met anyone before him who is sexually on a par with me." **METRO NEWS SERVICES**



Rachel's vocal cords get sliced and diced

ALTERATIONS After years of putting surgery off, TV host Rachel Ray has gone under the knife to repair her ailing vocal cords, popeater.com reports. People magazine learned that Ray underwent the procedure last week. "Rachel decided to have a benign cyst removed from her vocal cord," said her rep, Charlie Dougiello. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**



Lonesome Leonardo chats up the chicks

PLAYAS Leonardo DiCaprio, who recently split from model Bar Rafaeli, was just spotted at New York watering holes "with a bunch of dudes, talking to girls," sources tell Page Six. Before hitting up two lounges at inns in Greenwich Village, DiCaprio "a crew of guys" were seen enjoying the company of "two stunning mystery females" at the Knave bar in Le Parker Meridien in midtown. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**



Bored Brit varies up her show

OVERACTIVE MIND Britney Spears continually changes her stage show to stop herself from getting "bored," femalefirst.co.uk reports. The singer — who is currently completing the European leg of her *Circus* tour — continually changes her set list and introduces new dance routines to ensure her performances are always fresh.

She explained: "We have a song called *Mannequin* that we're adding to the show, which I'm really, really excited about, so it should be interesting. We have to update the show or it gets really boring." The 27-year-old singer is currently in Paris, and admits it is one of her favourite cities. She said: "It's

going really well so far, I'm having a lot of fun. I'm very excited to be in Paris. It's one of the most beautiful places I've been to so far. It's very cool."

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Lindsay's got her sights set on Russell

DESPERATION Ever since her relationship with Samantha Ronson hit a rough patch, Lindsay Lohan has reportedly had her sights set on Russell Brand. But he's not interested. "Russell has been on her radar for a while now but he doesn't want anything to do with her," a source tells the Sun. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**



Damon plays up charitable side on Entourage

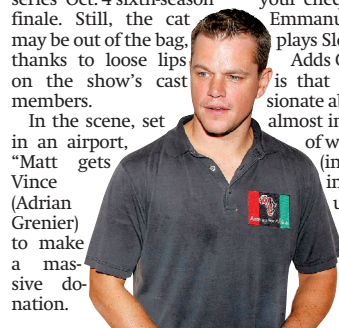
PUBLIC GIVING Matt Damon is no stranger to good exposure — or good deeds, people.com reports.

"Matt came on the phone with me and wanted to do something that focused on his charity, One By One, which helps kids all over the world," Doug Ellin, executive producer of *Entourage*, tells TV Guide. "It wasn't hard to get him."

As for Damon's *Entourage* appearance, that's a secret that's not supposed

to be spilled until the HBO's series' Oct. 4 sixth-season finale. Still, the cat may be out of the bag, thanks to loose lips on the show's cast members.

In the scene, set in an airport, "Matt gets Vince (Adrian Grenier) to make a massive donation. He's like, 'Bro — whip out your chequebook!'" reveals Emmanuelle Chriqui, who plays Sloan. Adds Grenier: "The joke is that Matt is very passionate about his charity — almost in a stalkerish kind of way. Vince becomes (intimidated) by his intensity. He ends up bullying Vince into giving much more than he should."



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Winehouse has worn out her welcome

LOST CAUSES Singer Amy Winehouse is reportedly ready to leave St. Lucia and head back to the U.K. "She's been banned from hotels, the bars don't want her there and locals see her as a nuisance when she's drunk," a source tells the Daily Mirror. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**



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